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...SOUTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA WEATHER SUMMARY FOR APRIL 2012...

****APRIL****

APRIL 2012 WAS SIGNIFICANTLY WETTER THAN NORMAL ACROSS THE REGION, MOST STATIONS RECEIVE BETWEEN 180 AND 250 PERCENT OF NORMAL PRECIPITATION FOR THE MONTH...PUTTING A SMALL DENT IN THE RAINFALL DEFICITS FOR THE SEASON.

TEMPERATURES FOR THE MONTH AVERAGED GENERALLY WITHIN A DEGREE OR SO OF NORMAL IN MOST LOCATION. FREEZING TEMPERATURES WERE CONFINED THE THE MOUNTAINS...THE ANTELOPE VALLEY...INTERIOR VALLEYS OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY AND THE CUYAMA VALLEY. EVEN THE OJAI VALLEY EXPERIENCED A LIGHT FREEZE ON ONE DAY IN EARLY APRIL.

STRONG AND GUSTY NORTHWEST TO NORTH WINDS DEVELOPED BEHIND A WEAK COLD FRONT WHICH MOVED THROUGH THE REGION ON THE 31ST OF MARCH AND EARLY ON THE 1ST OF APRIL. THE STRONG WINDS CONTINUED INTO THE 2ND. PEAK WIND GUSTS INCLUDED 76 MPH AT WARM SPRINGS...75 MPH AT WHITAKER PEAK...59 MPH AT POPPY PARK...57 MPH AT TOPANGA HILLS...56 MPH AT DEL VALLE...54 MPH AT POPPY PARK..., 53 MPH AT MALIBU HILLS...52 MPH AT LEO CARRILLO BEACH AND CAMP NINE...51 MPH AT LANCASTER AIRPORT...48 MPH AT OJAI...46 MPH AT SAUGUS AND SANDBERG...44 MPH AT VAN NUYS AND POINT MUGU...AND 39 MPH AT CAMARILLO.

AFTER A CHILLY DAY ON THE 1ST...SIGNIFICANT WARMING TOOK PLACE ON THE 2ND...THEN DRY CONDITIONS AND ABOVE NORMAL TEMPERATURES CONTINUED THROUGH THE 3RD. A UPPER TROUGH MOVING INTO THE WEST COAST BROUGHT SOME COOLING ON THE 4TH...WITH ADDITIONAL COOLING ON THE 5TH...ON WHICH MOST STATIONS EXPERIENCED BELOW NORMAL TEMPERATURES.

GUSTY WINDS AFFECTED MUCH OF THE REGION ON THE 4TH AND 5TH. PEAK WIND GUSTS INCLUDED 64 MPH AT WHITAKER PEAK...59 MPH AT CAMP NINE...49 MPH AT POPPY PARK...48 MPH AT MALIBU HILLS...46 MPH AT CLEAR CREEK...44 MPH AT LAKE PALMDALE AND SANDBERG...43 MPH AT LANCASTER AIRPORT...40 MPH AT LOMPOC AIRPORT...AND 38 MPH AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT.

ON THE 6TH...THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 29 DEGREES AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT BROKE THE RECORD LOW FOR THE DAY WHICH WAS 30 DEGREES SET IN 1955. THE LOW TEMPERATURE AT OJAI IN THE OJAI VALLEY DROPPED SLIGHTLY BELOW FREEZING...TO 31 DEGREES.

AN UPPER RIDGE AND WEAK OFFSHORE FLOW BROUGHT SIGNIFICANT WARMING TO THE REGION ON THE 7TH. TEMPERATURES CLIMBED WELL INTO THE 80S IN THE VALLEYS...AND ABOVE 80 DEGREES ACROSS MUCH OF THE COASTAL PLAIN. INTERESTINGLY...DUE TO THE CLEAR SKIES AND DRY CONDITIONS...SOME RECORD LOW TEMPERATURES WERE SET ON THE 7TH. THE LOW TEMPERATURES OF 25 DEGREES AT LANCASTER AIRPORT BROKE THE OLD RECORD OF 31 DEGREES SET IN 1983. THE LOW OF 38 DEGREES AT SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT BROKE THE PREVIOUS RECORD OF 40 DEGREES SET IN 1975...AND THE LOW OF 29 DEGREES AT PALMDALE AIRPORT TIED THE DAILY RECORD SET IN 1975.

EXCEPT FOR THE MOUNTAINS AND DESERTS WHERE AFTERNOON TEMPERATURES WERE HIGHER ON THE 8TH AND 9TH...THERE WAS SLIGHT COOLING ELSEWHERE. STILL...TEMPERATURES REMAINED WELL ABOVE NORMAL IN MOST AREAS. CHILLY MORNINGS CONTINUED ACROSS THE INTERIOR. ON THE 8TH...THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 28 DEGREES AT LANCASTER AIRPORT BROKE THE DAILY RECORD...WHICH WAS 31 DEGREES SET IN 1998.

ON THE 10TH...AN UPPER LOW OFF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COAST DROPPED SOUTHWARD TOWARD THE REGION. ITS ASSOCIATED COLD FRONT BROUGHT RAIN TO THE FORECAST AREA ON THE 10TH INTO THE 11TH. RAIN OVERSPREAD SANTA BARBARA AND SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTIES DURING THE LATE AFTERNOON AND EVENING HOURS...REACHING THE LOS ANGELES BASIN JUST BEFORE MIDNIGHT. THE RAIN WAS HEAVY AT TIMES...AND CAUSED SOME MINOR ROADWAY FLOODING ACROSS THE REGION. THE MAIN BAND OF RAIN EXITED THE FORECAST AREA IN THE MORNING...BUT UNSTABLE CONDITIONS CAUSED SCATTERED SHOWERS TO LINGER INTO THE EVENING HOURS. IN THE MOUNTAINS...SNOW FELL ABOVE THE 5000 FOOT LEVEL.

SOME RAINFALL TOTALS INCLUDED 2.00 INCHES AT WEST CAMINO CIELO...1.93 INCHES AT REFUGIO PASS...1.84 INCHES IN GAVIOTA...1.83 INCHES AT SAN MARCOS PASS...1.82 INCHES AT EL DESEO RANCH...1.72 INCHES AT THE KTYD RADIO STATION TOWER...1.69 INCHES AT THE SANTA BARBARA BOTANIC GARDENS...1.55 INCHES AT MONTECITO HILLS...1.53 INCHES AT ROCKY PEAK...1.52 INCHES IN THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA...1.49 INCHES AT CACHUMA DAM...1.48 INCHES AT CORRAL CANYON...1.42 INCHES AT OLD MAN MOUNTAIN...1.36 INCHES AT CARPINTERIA...1.34 INCHES AT NORDHOFF RIDGE...1.32 INCHES AT STATION CANYON...1.30 INCHES AT RANCHO SAN JULIAN AND ALISAL RESERVOIR...1.28 INCHES AT SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT...1.27 INCHES AT OPIDS CAMP...1.26 INCHES IN BEVERLY HILLS...1.25 INCHES AT LOS PRIETOS...1.24 INCHES AT THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN OXNARD...1.22 INCHES AT THE MONTE NIDO FIRE STATION...1.20 INCHES IN BUELLTON...1.17 INCHES IN SANTA YNEZ AND IN VENTURA...1.15 INCHES IN SOLVANG AND IN AGOURA HILLS...1.14 INCHES IN NEWHALL...1.06 INCHES AT CRYSTAL LAKE...1.04 INCHES IN FILLMORE...0.99 INCHES AT WEST FORK HELIPORT...0.96 INCHES AT CAMARILLO AIRPORT AND SAN LUIS OBISPO AIRPORT...0.94 INCHES AT VAN NUYS AIRPORT...0.91 INCHES IN CANOGA PARK...0.90 INCHES IN BEL AIR...0.89 INCHES AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT...0.88 INCHES AT BURBANK AIRPORT... 0.87 INCHES AT NIPOMO AND PISMO BEACH...0.82 INCHES IN PASADENA...0.81 INCHES IN SAN GABRIEL...0.73 INCHES IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES...0.72 INCHES AT HAWTHORNE AIRPORT AND AT UCLA...0.67 INCHES AT LONG BEACH AIRPORT...0.63 INCHES AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT AND IN CLAREMONT...0.43 INCHES IN SAUGUS...0.31 INCHES AT SANTA MONICA AIRPORT...0.15 INCHES AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT...0.08 INCHES AT PALMDALE AIRPORT AND 0.03 INCHES AT LANCASTER AIRPORT.

IN THE MOUNTAINS...6 INCHES OF SNOW FELL AT MOUNT PINOS AT 8200 FEET...4 INCHES OF SNOW FELL AT MOUNTAIN HIGH AT 7000 FEET AND PINE MOUNTAIN AT 6500 FEET...3 INCHES OF SNOW FELL AT PINON PINE AT 5500 FEET...2 INCHES WAS REPORTED AT WRIGHTWOOD AT 6100 FEET...AND AN INCH OF SNOW FEEL AT MOUNT WILSON AT 5700 FEET AND IN LOCKWOOD VALLEY AT 5000 FEET.

ANOTHER UPPER LOW DROPPED SOUTHEASTWARD FROM THE PACIFIC ON THE 12TH. RAIN FROM THIS SYSTEM SPREAD INTO SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY BY NOON ON THE 12TH...BUT RAIN DID NOT REACH MOST OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY UNTIL LATE IN THE EVENING OR DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF 13TH. THERE WAS WIDESPREAD THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY WITH THIS SYSTEM...AFFECTING SANTA BARBARA AND SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTIES DURING THE PRE DAWN HOURS...A FEW OF WHICH APPROACHED SEVERE LEVELS...AND VENTURA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTIES FROM MID MORNING THROUGH MID

AFTERNOON. MANY OF THE THUNDERSTORMS PRODUCED PEA SIZED HAIL. THE RAIN WAS HEAVY AT TIMES...CAUSING WIDESPREAD PONDING OF WATER ON ROADWAY...WITH SOME FLOODING OF LOW LYING AREAS AND INTERSECTIONS.

GUSTY WINDS AFFECTED MUCH OF THE REGION AHEAD OF AND WITH THE FRONT. PEAK GUSTS INCLUDED 57 MPH AT CLEAR CREEK AND CHILAO...53 MPH AT LAKE PALMDALE...51 MPH AT VALYERMO...LITTLE TUJUNGA AND TOPANGA HILLS...50 MPH AT MALIBU CANYON AND DEL VALLE...49 MPH AT WHITAKER PEAK...48 MPH AT NEWHALL PASS AND ACTON...46 MPH AT SAN RAFAEL HILLS...44 MPH AT WILEY RIDGE...40 MPH AT AVALON AIRPORT...AND 36 MPH AT POINT MUGU.

SOME RAINFALL TOTALS FROM THE STORM INCLUDED 3.15 INCHES AT NORDHOFF RIDGE...2.64 INCHES IN ROSE VALLEY...2.44 INCHES AT OPIDS CAMP...2.41 INCHES AT LAS TABLAS...2.40 INCHES AT BLACK MOUNTAIN AND WHITE LEDGE PEAK...2.37 INCHES AT LAKE PIRU...2.26 INCHES AT SAN LUIS OBISPO CAL POLY...2.25 INCHES AT SAN GABRIEL DAM...1.97 INCHES AT WEST FORK HELIPORT...1.95 INCHES AT TANBARK...1.86 INCHES AT STEWART CANYON AND IN PIRU...1.76 INCHES AT SAN LUIS OBISPO AIRPORT...1.75 INCHES AT BRANCH MOUNTAIN...1.74 INCHES AT PACOIMA DAM...1.65 INCHES AT WARM SPRINGS...1.61 INCHES IN OJAI AND IN CANOGA PARK...1.59 INCHES AT MONTECITO HILLS...1.58 INCHES ON THE CARRIZO PLAIN...1.57 INCHES IN NEWHALL...1.56 INCHES AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT...1.54 INCHES AT CHEESEBORO...1.53 INCHES AT MORRIS DAM...1.51 INCHES AT SANTA FE DAM...1.41 INCHES IN AGOURA HILLS AND AT HANSEN DAM...1.38 INCHES IN LOS PRIETOS AND IN LA VERNE...1.35 INCHES AT WHITAKER PEAK AND IN CLAREMONT...1.24 INCHES AT VAN NUYS AIRPORT...1.22 INCHES IN POPPY PARK...1.15 INCHES IN WOODLAND HILLS...1.09 INCHES IN NORTHRIDGE...1.08 INCHES AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT...1.00 INCHES IN SAUGUS...0.96 INCHES IN PASADENA...0.90 INCHES IN SAN GABRIEL...0.89 INCHES AT BURBANK AIRPORT...0.87 INCHES AT THE MONTE NIDO FIRE STATION...0.79 INCHES AT LANCASTER AIRPORT...0.73 INCHES IN SIMI VALLEY...0.68 INCHES IN VENTURA...0.66 INCHES IN BEVERLY HILLS...0.63 INCHES IN BEL AIR AND AT HAWTHORNE AIRPORT...0.62 INCHES AT THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN OXNARD...0.60 INCHES AT SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT...0.59 INCHES AT CAMARILLO AIRPORT...0.54 INCHES AT PALMDALE AIRPORT...0.49 INCHES IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES...0.45 INCHES AT LONG BEACH AIRPORT...0.44 INCHES AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT AND 0.42 INCHES AT UCLA.

IN THE MOUNTAINS...10 INCHES OF SNOW FELL AT WRIGHTWOOD AT 6300 FEET...WHILE 7 INCHES FELL AT 6000 FEET...3 INCHES WAS RECORDED AT FRAZIER PARK AT 5000 FEET AND 2 INCHES OF SNOW FELL AT LOCKWOOD VALLEY AT 5300 FEET.

ON THE 12TH...THE DAILY RAINFALL OF 0.20 INCHES AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT SET A NEW RECORD FOR THE DATE. THE PREVIOUS RECORD WAS 0.14 INCHES...SET IN 2010 AND 2003.

MANY DAILY RAINFALL RECORDS WERE SET ON THE 13TH...INCLUDING 1.37 INCHES AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.53 INCHES SET IN 2003...0.94 INCHES AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.43 INCHES SET IN 2003...0.89 INCHES AT BURBANK AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.36 INCHES SET IN 1976...0.79 INCHES AT LANCASTER AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.22 INCHES SET IN 1998...0.56 INCHES AT CAMARILLO AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.31 INCHES SET IN 2003...0.54 INCHES AT PALMDALE AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.47 INCHES SET IN 1956...0.49 INCHES AT DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.29 INCHES SET IN 1956...0.45 INCHES AT LONG BEACH AIRPORT...WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.07 INCHES SET IN 1976...0.44 INCHES AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 0.41 INCHES SET IN 1956.

MANY DAILY RECORD LOW MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES WERE RECORDED ON THE 13TH AS WELL...INCLUDING A HIGH OF 51 DEGREES AT LANCASTER AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 53 DEGREES SET IN 1956...53 DEGREES AT BURBANK AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 55 DEGREES IN 1956...55 DEGREES AT SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 58 DEGREES SET IN 1956...57 DEGREES AT CAMARILLO AIRPORT AND AT THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN OXNARD WHICH BOTH BROKE RECORDS OF 59 DEGREES SET IN 1999...AND 59 DEGREES AT LONG BEACH AIRPORT WHICH BROKE THE RECORD OF 61 DEGREES SET IN 1976.

AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT...THE HIGH OF 56 DEGREES TIED THE DAILY RECORD LOW MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE SET IN 1976...WHILE AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT...THE HIGH OF 57 DEGREES TIED THE DAILY RECORD SET IN 1999.

DRY WEATHER RETURNED ON THE 14TH...BUT IT REMAINED QUITE COOL THROUGH THE 15TH.

ON THE 14TH...THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 45 DEGREES AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT SET A RECORD LOW FOR THE DATE...WHICH HAD BEEN 46 DEGREES SET IN 1965. THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 39 DEGREES AT BURBANK AIRPORT TIED THE RECORD LOW FOR THE DATE SET IN 1983...WHILE THE LOW OF 45 DEGREES AT LONG BEACH AIRPORT TIED THE DAILY RECORD SET IN 1970...AND THE LOW OF 43 DEGREES AT UCLA TIED THE DAILY RECORD SET IN 1956.

THE HIGH TEMPERATURE OF 54 DEGREES AT PALMDALE AIRPORT SET A NEW RECORD LOW MAXIMUM FOR THE DATE...BREAKING THE RECORD OF 55 DEGREES SET IN 1998. THE HIGH OF 60 DEGREES AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT TIED THE DAILY RECORD LOW MAXIMUM SET IN 1998.

SIGNIFICANT WARMING TOOK PLACE ON THE 16TH AS AN UPPER RIDGE BUILT INTO THE REGION...THEN AS GENERAL RIDGING LINGERED OVER THE REGION...ABOVE NORMAL TEMPERATURES PERSISTED IN MOST AREAS THROUGH THE 21ST. CONDITIONS REALLY HEATED UP ACROSS THE DESERTS AND INTERIOR VALLEYS ON THE 19TH...WITH HIGHS EXCEEDING 90 DEGREES IN A FEW LOCATIONS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY...AND APPROACHING 90 DEGREES IN THE WARMEST PARTS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY...THE OJAI VALLEY AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.

THE 20TH WAS THE HOTTEST DAY OF THE MONTH IN MOST MOUNTAIN...VALLEY AND DESERT LOCATIONS. HIGH TEMPERATURES ROSE WELL INTO THE 90S IN THE VALLEYS AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY...AND EVEN REACH 100 DEGREES AT CHATSWORTH. THE HIGH TEMPERATURE OF 99 DEGREES AT WOODLAND HILLS TIED THE RECORD FOR THE DATE SET IN 1958.

THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 55 DEGREES AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT TIED THE RECORD HIGH MINIMUM FOR THE DATE SET IN 1983.

SOME COOLING BEGAN WEST OF THE MOUNTAINS ON THE 21ST AS ONSHORE FLOW INCREASED AHEAD OF AN APPROACHING TROUGH. HOWEVER...IT ACTUALLY CONTINUED TO WARM IN THE MOUNTAINS AND DESERTS. THE HIGH TEMPERATURE OF 95 DEGREES AT LANCASTER AIRPORT ON THE 21ST BROKE THE DAILY RECORD OF 94 DEGREES SET IN 2009...WHILE THE HIGH OF 83 DEGREES AT SANDBERG BROKE THE RECORD OF 82 DEGREES SET IN 2009.

NIGHT THROUGH MORNING LOW CLOUDS AND FOG BECAME WIDESPREAD IN COASTAL AND VALLEY AREAS ON THE 22ND...AND ADDITIONAL COOLING OCCURRED IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT FOR THE DESERTS AND MOUNTAINS AS THE TROUGH APPROACHED THE REGION. THE HIGH TEMPERATURE OF 94 DEGREES AT PALMDALE AIRPORT BROKE THE DAILY RECORD OF 92 DEGREES SET IN 1998. ON THE OTHER EXTREME...THE HIGH TEMPERATURE OF 57 DEGREES AT SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT TIED THE RECORD LOW MAXIMUM FOR THE DATE SET IN 1954. THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 64 DEGREES AT SANDBERG SET A DAILY

RECORD FOR THE HIGHEST MINIMUM TEMPERATURE...BREAKING THE RECORD OF 59 DEGREES SET IN 2009.

THE MARINE LAYER DEEPENED SIGNIFICANTLY ON THE 23RD...WITH CLOUDS REACHING THE COASTAL SLOPES. SOME DRIZZLE EVEN DEVELOPED IN COASTAL AND VALLEY AREAS...AND SEVERAL LOCATIONS REPORTED VERY LIGHT AMOUNTS OF MEASURABLE RAIN...LESS THAN ONE TENTH OF AN INCH. IT WAS VERY CHILLY WEST OF THE MOUNTAINS ON THE 23RD...WITH HIGH TEMPERATURES 15 TO 20 DEGREES BELOW NORMAL IN THE VALLEYS.

WHILE THE DAY WAS CHILLY...THE CLOUD COVER KEPT THE NIGHTS RATHER MILE. ON THE 23RD...THE LOW OF 53 DEGREES AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT SET A DAILY RECORD FOR THE HIGHEST MINIMUM TEMPERATURE...BREAKING THE RECORD OF 52 DEGREES SET IN 2009. THE LOW OF 52 DEGREES AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT SET A DAILY RECORD FOR THE HIGHEST MINIMUM TEMPERATURE...BREAKING THE RECORD OF 51 DEGREES SET IN 1998.

ON THE 24TH...WEAK RIDGING BROUGHT A REDUCTION IN THE MARINE LAYER...AND MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES WARMED BY AROUND 10 DEGREES IN MANY COASTAL AND VALLEY AREAS. THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 55 DEGREES AT BOTH SANTA MARIA AIRPORT AND PASO ROBLES AIRPORT SET DAILY RECORD HIGH MINIMUM TEMPERATURES. THE PREVIOUS RECORD AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT WAS 53 DEGREES SET IN 1959...WHILE THE PREVIOUS RECORD AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT WAS 52 DEGREES SET IN 2011.

AN UPPER LOW MOVING THROUGH THE PACIFIC TRACKED SOUTHEASTWARD...PASSING JUST TO THE WEST OF THE REGION LATE ON THE 25TH AND EARLY ON THE 26TH. DESPITE THE APPROACHING STORM SYSTEM...LOW LEVEL OFFSHORE FLOW ACTUALLY BROUGHT SIGNIFICANT WARMING TO COASTAL AND VALLEY AREAS ON THE 25TH...ESPECIALLY ACROSS VENTURA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTIES...WHERE TEMPERATURES JUMPED INTO THE 80S. DURING THE AFTERNOON...ISOLATED THUNDERSTORMS DEVELOPED ACROSS THE INNER WATERS AHEAD OF THE UPPER LOW. A GUST FRONT BROUGHT A 15 MINUTE PERIOD OF GUSTY WINDS TO MUCH OF VENTURA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTIES DURING MID AFTERNOON...AND TEMPERATURES FELL 15 TO 20 DEGREES IN MANY AREAS IN A MATTER OF MINUTES.

THE LOW TEMPERATURE OF 55 DEGREES AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT SET A NEW RECORD HIGH MINIMUM TEMPERATURE FOR THE DATE...BREAKING THE OLD RECORD OF 54 DEGREES IN 1959. THE LOW OF 56 DEGREES AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT ALSO SET A NEW DAILY RECORD HIGH MINIMUM TEMPERATURE...BREAKING THE OLD RECORD OF 50 DEGREES IN 1978.

SOME WIND GUSTS INCLUDED 52 MPH AT MALIBU HILLS...51 MPH AT CHEESEBORO AND WILEY RIDGE...50 MPH IN AGOURA HILLS...49 MPH AT CAMARILLO AIRPORT...47 MPH IN SIMI VALLEY...45 MPH AT AVALON AIRPORT...44 MPH AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT...43 MPH AT OXNARD AIRPORT...42 MPH AT MALIBU CANYON...41 MPH AT HAWTHORNE AIRPORT AND IN THOUSAND OAKS...AND 38 MPH AT BURBANK AIRPORT AND AT POINT MUGU.

RAIN WITH THE FRONTAL SYSTEM SPREAD INTO SANTA BARBARA AND SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTIES IN THE AFTERNOON OF THE 25TH...AND INTO VENTURA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTIES DURING THE EVENING. RAIN ENDED DURING THE MORNING HOURS IN MOST AREAS.

SOME RAINFALL TOTALS INCLUDED 0.98 INCHES IN PASADENA...0.72 INCHES AT OPIDS CAMP...0.71 INCHES AT SANTA ANITA DAM...0.68 INCHES AT GAVIOTA...0.63 INCHES AT SUDDEN PEAK...0.62 INCHES AT AVALON...0.61 INCHES AT CELITE...0.59 INCHES AT RANCHO SAN JULIAN...0.56 INCHES AT ROCKY BUTTE...MALIBU HILLS AND CARBON CANYON...0.54 INCHES AT HAWTHORNE AIRPORT AND IN LOMPOC...0.53 INCHES AT BEVERLY HILLS...0.51 INCHES IN SOUTH GATE AND AT THE HOLLYWOOD RESERVOIR...0.49 INCHES AT DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES...0.48 INCHES AT THE

WEST FOR HELIPORT...0.47 INCHES IN CAMBRIA...0.44 INCHES AT CRYSTAL LAKE AND IN BEL AIR...0.43 INCHES AT MOUNT WILSON...0.42 INCHES AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT...0.40 INCHES AT LONG BEACH AIRPORT AND IN SOLVANG...0.39 INCHES AT UCLA...0.37 INCHES AT BURBANK AIRPORT AND IN SAN GABRIEL...0.36 INCHES AT SHANDON...0.31 INCHES AT CIRCLE X RANCH...OLD MAN MOUNTAIN...AND AT SANTA MARIA AIRPORT...0.29 INCHES AT SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT...0.28 INCHES AT SAN LUIS OBISPO AIRPORT...0.24 INCHES AT THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN OXNARD...0.20 INCHES IN AGOURA HILLS...NORTHRIDGE AND AT PASO ROBLES AIRPORT...0.16 INCHES AT VAN NUYS AIRPORT...0.14 INCHES AT CAMARILLO AIRPORT AND JUST A TRACE AT LANCASTER AND PALMDALE AIRPORTS.

DUE TO THE MORNING RAIN AND PLENTY OF CLOUDINESS...IT WAS RATHER CHILLY ACROSS THE REGION ON THE 26TH. A WARMING TREND BEGAN ON THE 27TH...THEN TEMPERATURES WERE GENERALLY SOMEWHAT ABOVE NORMAL ON THE 28TH AND 29TH. A WEAK TROUGH MOVING INTO THE WEST COAST CAUSED A DEEPENING MARINE LAYER WITH WIDESPREAD NIGHT THROUGH MORNING LOW CLOUDS AND FOG IN COASTAL AND VALLEY AREAS ON THE 30TH. THIS BROUGHT TEMPERATURES DOWN TO BELOW NORMAL LEVELS WEST OF THE MOUNTAINS...WHILE THE MOUNTAINS AND ANTELOPE VALLEY REMAINED RATHER WARM.

.....CLIMATE DATA FOR APRIL 2012.....

	AVG HIGH	AVG LOW	AVG MONTH	NORM MONTH	MONTH XTRMS	TOTAL PRECIP	NORM PRECIP	PRECIP % NORM

L.A. DOWNTOWN	72.5	52.7	62.6	63.1	85/44	1.71	0.91	186%
L.A. ARPT	66.4	53.0	59.7	60.1	82/45	1.51	0.70	214%
LONG BEACH ARPT	72.8	53.3	63.1	62.4	86/45	1.53	0.60	255%
UCLA	68.6	52.4	60.5	61.3	82/43	1.82	0.97	188%
BURBANK ARPT	73.1	50.4	61.7	61.5	95/39	2.14	1.11	193%
LANCASTER ARPT	75.7	44.5	60.1	59.1	95/25	0.82	0.35	234%
SANDBERG	61.0	42.5	51.8	50.4	83/27	1.51	0.63	240%
CAMARILLO ARPT	67.5	48.1	57.8	58.3	82/40	1.69	0.79	214%
SANTA BARBARA ARPT	64.7	46.1	55.4	57.5	73/38	2.24	1.00	224%
SANTA MARIA ARPT	68.5	44.9	56.7	55.6	81/34	2.31	0.98	236%
PASO ROBLES ARPT	73.9	42.9	58.4	56.9	96/29	1.92	0.68	282%

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